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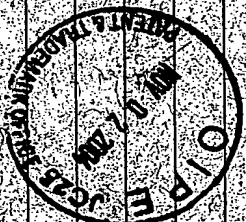
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PATENT	
Att'y Docket: 381AS/49210	Today's Date: October 30, 2003
Inventor(s): HIROSHI SAKAMOTO ET AL.	
Serial No.: 09/653,169	
Filing Date: SEPTEMBER 1, 2000	
The following has been received in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on the date stamped hereon:	
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/653,169 Confirmation No. : 5473
First Named Inventor : Hiroshi SAKAMOTO
Filed : September 1, 2000
TC/A.U. : 3618
Examiner : B. FISCHMANN
Docket No. : 381AS/49210
Customer No. : 23911
Title : Power Transmission Apparatus of Motor Vehicles

COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Our records indicate that we have not received any further correspondence in reference to the above-noted application since September 15, 2003. The communication received on September 15, 2003 was a Notice of Abandonment indicating that the Issue Fee had not been received.

On October 30, 2003, Applicants submitted a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment along with proof that the Issue Fee payment was received in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in a timely manner. We have attached a copy along with a stamped postcard indicating the date the petition was received in the USPTO.

Applicants also submitted a Status Request on November 2, 2004 and February 2, 2004, which we have not received an answer. The stamped postcard indicating the date that both Status Request were received in the USPTO is also attached herewith.

Applicants currently submit an Information Disclosure Statement and respectfully request that the references be considered.

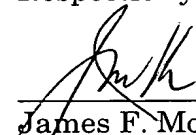
Applicants further request that the Request for Continued Examination filed on May 9, 2003 be currently applied. Therefore, Applicants request that the Request for Refund filed May 20, 2003 in regard to the RCE be disregarded. Since our records indicate that there has been no correspondence regarding the Request for Refund, Applicants request that the fee is presently applied to the current filing.

If necessary, the paper should be considered as a petition for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(2) and that the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(3) should be charged to Deposit Account 05-1323, Docket No.: 056203.49210US.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

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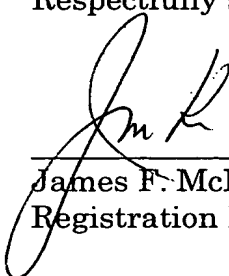
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It would be appreciated if the undersigned were telephoned in the event there are any questions related to this Request or the application in general.

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Serial No. : 09/653,169

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Filed : September 1, 2000

Examiner : B. Fischmann

Title: POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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